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The Honorable Bill Hardiman, Chair
Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on DHS
Michigan State Senate
State Capitol
Lansing Michigan 48933

The Honorable Dudley Spade
House Appropriations Subcommittee on DHS
Michigan House of Representatives
Lansing, Michigan 48933

Dear Senator Hardiman and Representative Spade:

Section 721 of 2008 Public Act 248 requires the Department of Human Services to report to the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on the department budget by October 1, 2008 on the transfer of medium security services equivalent to 80 beds at the W.J. Maxey boys training school and shall report on the placement of juvenile offenders who need those services in community-based or privately operated facilities.

The transfer was completed. During May and June 2008, all medium secure youth, equivalent to 80 residential beds, were removed from Maxey Training School and replaced in private residential facilities, community residential treatment centers, or community based home settings. As of June 1, 2008, Maxey Training School has the capacity to serve 80 high secure youth that are classified as youth with serious chronic offenses, youth with sexual offenses, and youth with serious mental health needs.

If you have any questions, please contact John Evans, director, Bureau of Juvenile Justice at 517-335-3489.

Sincerely,

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- Senate and House Standing Committees on Human Services
- Senate and House Fiscal Agencies
- Senate and House Policy Offices
- State Budget Director